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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

MEMORANDUM FOR USIB PRINCIPALS

SUBJECT : Current Intelligence Publications

REFERENCES : a. USIB-D-71.11/7, 2 December 1974
b. USIB-D-71.11/6, 4 April 1974
c. USIB-M-664, 4 April 1974, Item 3

1. I have recently conducted a review of the current intelligence publications produced in CIA. This review has involved a close look at the need for individual publications as well as their format and production costs. As part of this process a representative from my Office of Current Intelligence has consulted with the principal production officers in DIA, State, and NSA.

2. My findings indicate that the daily intelligence needs of our main consumers can continue to be well served and that a substantial savings of several hundred thousand dollars can be realized by discontinuing the National Intelligence Bulletin, the procedures for which were established in the reference documents. In its place, I propose to meet departmental needs by producing a cabled version of the National Intelligence Daily.

3. More specifically, I propose that the NID become a fully coordinated publication. Late-breaking news items that cannot be coordinated will be so identified. As at present, drafting will be handled by CIA; DIA's Defense Intelligence Notices and other departmental intelligence publications will be used as the basis for some drafts. In addition, DIA, State, NSA, and CIA will be invited to submit feature articles. The feature articles will give attribution to the author and his organization and will be coordinated in substance. We will continue to require the services of representatives from the participating agencies to facilitate the coordination process and to speed the exchange of substantive information.

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4. The cabled version of the NID will carry an overall classification of TOP SECRET COMINT NOFORN, but each paragraph will be individually classified so that recipients can more easily use the information to meet their departmental needs.

5. If you have any comments please provide them to the Executive Secretary of USIB by 22 April 1976.

George Bush
Chairman

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